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Ms. Breitman and Ms. Haywood

English 8

Date:

PEER EDIT FOR THESIS AND TOPIC SENTENCES:

Editor Name: _____

Writer Name: _____

A thesis is a main idea statement and in this essay, it should include BOTH
SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES:

1. Write your partner's thesis below:

2. Does the thesis use any simple or vague words: Things, good, bad, nice, okay, stuff, me, we, I, us, or my?

If YES, please circle them and/or suggest alternative word choices.

3. Does the thesis have TWO CLAIMS that show similarities AND differences? If yes, please mark them with a number one and a number two above. If no, write some advice to the writer below.

4. Is anything in the thesis too vague or unclear?

5. Do you recommend any changes for your partner's thesis? Be specific.

The topic sentences should be the first sentences in each of the body paragraphs. It should use ONE of the ideas from each thesis, but include more specific information and the word "BECAUSE" that explains how the claim relates to each character.

6. Write your partner's TWO TOPIC SENTENCES BELOW:

topic sentence one

topic sentence two

7. Does each topic sentence use the word BECAUSE? If not, please write a draft sentence below of a new topic sentence to help the writer.

8. How is topic sentence number one different from the thesis?

9. How is topic sentence number two different from the thesis?

10. Do the topic sentences use simple or personal words: things, good, bad, nice, okay, stuff, me, we I , us, or my? If yes, write the vague or first person pronouns below.

11. Is anything in the topic sentences vague or unclear? If yes, write the information below that is not specific.

12. Do you recommend any changes in your partner's topic sentences? Write them below or explain why no changes are needed.
